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FOR: STABILIZED APTAMERS TO PLATELET DERIVED GROWTH
FACTOR AND THEIR USE AS ONCOLOGY THERAPEUTICS

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**REQUEST FOR FILING A NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1. This non-provisional patent application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 10/762,915, filed January 21, 2004, which claims priority to U.S. Ser. No. 60/441,357, filed on January 21, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/463,095, filed on April 15, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/464,179, filed on April 21, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/465,055, filed April 23, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/469,628, filed May 8, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/474,680, filed May 29, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/491,019, filed July 29, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/512,071, filed October 17, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/537,201, filed January 16, 2004; and U.S. Ser. No. 60/537,045, filed January 16, 2004; is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 10/718,833, filed November 21, 2003, which claims priority to U.S. Ser. No. 60/428,102, filed November 21, 2002 and U.S. Ser. No. 60/469,628, filed on May 8, 2003; and is also a continuation in part of U.S. Ser. No. 10/---,---, entitled "Aptamer-Toxin Molecules and Methods for Using Same", filed on April 15, 2004; and this patent application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to the following provisional applications: U.S. Ser. No. 60/464,239, filed April 21, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/465,053, filed April 23, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/469,628, filed May 8, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/474,133, filed May 29, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/474,680, filed May 29, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/486,580, filed July 11, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/489,810, filed July 23, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/491,019, filed July 29, 2003; U.S. Ser. No. 60/503,596, filed September 16, 2003; each of which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety. The present non-provisional patent application is related to U.S. Ser. No. 60/461,966, filed April 10, 2003, now abandoned, and to U.S. Ser. No. 60/462,779, filed April 14, 2003, now abandoned, each of which is herein incorporated by reference.

2. This application is a total of 105 pages. This application includes:
98 pages of specification (not including claims, abstract, or figures)
6 pages of claims

1 page of abstract.

3. This application includes 25 pages of drawings: Figures 1 through 25 (Informal).
4. A Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney (unsigned) is included (4 pgs.).
5. A sequence listing is included:
Paper copy of Sequence Listing (34 Pages)
Computer Readable Format of Sequence Listing (1 Diskette)
6. Statement in Support of Computer Readable Format (1 Page).
7. Small Entity status is appropriate for this application.
8. Fees associated with this application have been calculated as follows:


CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	139	20	26	\$18.00	\$ 468.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	3	3		\$86.00	\$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	8	0	0	\$290.00	\$2,320.00
SUBTOTAL:					\$3,558.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					\$1,779.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$1,779.00

9. A check (#18521) in the amount of **\$1,779.00** is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 23239-558A (ARCH-58A).

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